

Remarks

Claims 1-8 were previously pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, the applicant has cancelled claims 6 and 8. No new matter has been added by this Amendment. Accordingly, claims 1-5 and 7 are currently before the Examiner. Favorable consideration of the claims now presented is respectfully requested.

Claim 8 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101. Claim 8 has been cancelled herein, thereby rendering moot this ground for rejection.

Claim 6 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claim 6 has been cancelled herein, thereby rendering moot this ground for rejection.

Claims 1-7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Toop (EP 0962196) in view of Blake (U.S. Patent No. 6,425,917). Claim 6 has been cancelled herein, thereby rendering moot this ground for rejection as it relates to that claim. The applicant respectfully traverses this ground for rejection, to the extent that it might now be applied to claims 1-5 and 7, for the reasons set forth in the applicant's Response dated June 20, 2007. Specifically, the cited references, either taken alone or in combination, do not disclose or suggest the applicant's intraocular lens. Accordingly, the applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) based on the Toop reference in view of Blake.

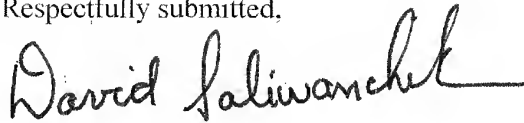
Please note that, on this date, the applicant is also submitting a Notice of Appeal. Thus, in the event that the Examiner maintains the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), the applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment cancelling claims 6 and 8, thereby reducing and simplifying the issues to be decided on appeal.

In view of the foregoing remarks, the applicant believes that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

The applicant also invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,



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